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For: SURFACE POSITION DETECTION )  
DEVICE AND EXPOSURE )  
APPARATUS AND EXPOSURE )  
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UTILIZING DETECTION DEVICE )

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